POSITION: Postdoctoral Appointee – Computer Science Cybersecurity

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JOB DESCRIPTION

Our department has multiple openings in computer science and applied mathematics for postdoctoral researchers. We are especially seeking experts who can apply theoretical computer-science techniques to cybersecurity. Potential areas of research include, but are not limited to, the following: computational game theory, formal verification, digital forensics, anomaly detection, computational logic, complex systems, and network sciences. Our researchers are expected to conduct innovative research, publish and present results in refereed journals and conferences, develop software, and seek out new and interesting problems of national importance. These positions offer an annual salary of \$80,000.

QUALIFICATIONS

These postdoctoral research positions require a strong record of academic performance and a recent advanced degree (PhD or equivalent degree that was conferred within the past five years) in computer science, mathematics, statistics, or a related area. Candidates must be able to work in a collaborative research environment and must provide evidence of relevant research expertise in the form of technical publications, presentations, software, and/or application knowledge. Other required qualifications include software development competence in C++, Java, MATLAB, or a related language; proficiency in solving problems, prioritizing work, and making decisions; and excellent written- and oral-communication skills.

Expertise in one or more of the following areas is desired for these positions: game theory, statistics and inference, computational logic, complexity theory, programming language theory, graph analysis, machine learning, computational combinatorics, data mining, the mathematics of complex systems, information theory, decision theory, data fusion, natural-language processing, and systems modeling. Other desired qualifications include a background in solving practical problems in science and engineering; encounters with real-world data; and proficiency in software engineering, especially an understanding of object-oriented programming techniques and best practices, high-performance computing experience, and/or SQL database knowledge.

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